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LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 15 -- At 16:15 o'clock yesterday morning a whole span of the new Jeffersonville bridge. prison and remain there until the case ville Bridge company of Phoenixville, Va. fell with fifty workmen all of There is no chance for his keeping his were precipitated into the Indiana days. The bulance of the river. At least twenty-live were killed. The bridge timbers and false decision. work, fron and mangled humanity are lying in a heap in the river. Several thousand people soon lined the shore of either side of the river and boats crowded, while heroic offorts were at nce made at rescue.

The accident was due to the insecure placing of the "traveler" last right. The wind still further loosened given to draw it back into its place and the engines were started. The wind was high and the swaying of the false work forced the "traveler" from the piles on which it was placed. When the end slipped off the men realized their danger. The enrinear called to the men and ten of the fifty on the span escaped. Forty Blaine signed by me and published

seen finished this afternoon. After no answer was ever received by me he "traveler" had been fastened to and probably none was ever written

HOW THE DISASTER OCCURRED. had a very parrow escape from death. "I was standing on the as soon as possible. I had just there were fifty-one in all, not counting myself. When I called the men dropped their tools get off. The others went down in a

and ran toward me, but only ten could heap. I was so badly frightened that I could not tell how many of them got out. I only saw one man swim to the shore. The accident was mainly caused by the wind. There was a high gale blowing from the southwest all morning and I realized that at any time the span wight be blown down. Then, too, the piling under the span by which it was supported was weak, the current is very swift and a large amount of driftwood dammed against the supporters. If the wind hal not been so high, however, the pilings were sufficiently strong to have done the work. The bridge fell like a pack of cards. It became loosened on the Indiana side first and swayed away

endually across to the opposite side. from the "traveler" caught on a rope and lowered himself into the water. Mike F.ynn of St. Louis, was saved in a similar manner. Harry Maxwell of St Louis, finding himself falling, grasped the edge of the pier and drew

himself to the top.

The total loss of life will not be ascertained until the roll is called and the missing located. Some of the men were carried in skiffs to Jeffersonville and others to this side. The bodies that lie buried in the river are weighted down by tons of iron and wreckage.

SILVER CHIEFS IN COUNCIL. Leaders of the Free Coinage Movement af Washington. Washington, Dec. 16.—The confer-

ence of leading silver men of the country to devise ways and means to continue the fight for free silver coin-Would be a nice present for age opened to day as the headquarters Christmas, but unfortunately of the bimetallic league Most of the during these wintry days it is familiar faces of the silver leaders were there, including General Weaver and General Field, Senator Stewart of Nevada, Captain Kottle, the Alabama leader; Mortimer Whitehead, lecturer of the national grange; Morton Frewen, the British authority on bi-metallism; Colonel Bayerly of Virginia, and Judge Shelsion of Connecticut. Mail Is a luxury. Now these can for Master Workman Sovereign of the be obtained at reasonable Knights of Labor has been received so that he is expected later. In all, the conferers number about fifty, representing the bone and sinew of

the free silver movement. The conference is proceeding behind closed doors. General Warner, president of the bi-metallic league, said that the meeting would probably last for several days, as it was intended to fully canvass the sentiment On East Oklahoma avenue, of the in-metallists and reach some Everything in the furniture conclusion among them as to the course to be pursued.

chair to a table can be found WILL FIGHT UTAH'S ADMISSION The Ladies' Home Missionary Society Declares That Folygomy Is Not Dead. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- The bill for the admission of Utab will probably be opposed by the Ladies' Home Missionary Society which is seeking an opportunity to be heard by the senate committee on territories. The members of this society take exception to cisco, dropped dead at Vallejo, Cal. the statement made very freely by the advocates of the till that polygamy is organizing a new Western organizadead in Utah and say that on tion of miners and he is at the head the contrary they have positive of it. information that the centrary is the case. Missionaries scattered through Are coming in rapidly and he that territory declare that the prachas a phenomenally complete tice is not carried on as openly as stock of furniture to select formerly, but that in the places remote from the towns there is little or no abatement of the custom and in the towns and cities there is a covert observation of the old doctrine, while everywhere among the Mormon peo-ple the feeling in favor of polygumy just as strong as in the palmiest Does not expect a costly days of the Mormon faith. Christmas present, but she

San Francisco Mid-Winter Fair A ROCKING CHAIR Will be one of the attractions on the Pacific coast during the coming winter. It will be held from January 1 to June 30, 1894, and might be aptly termed the world's fair in miniature. The Santa Fe route will sell round trip tickets good to return until April Bedsteads, window curtains to, with transit limit of fifteen days in rugs, bureaus, wardrobes, each direction, for \$55.50. Will also Charles L. Wenner and Miss Loule dressers, beds, etc.. Can sell at some rate and limit to the fol- M. Morris were married Friday at

SHAEFER BEATS SLUKSON. the Wigard said Ivez Are Now Yied for

the First Place. NEW YORK, Dec. 16. - The fifth contest is the billiard match was played last night. Shaefer defeated Slosson. Shaefer and Ives are now even for first place and the deciding game be tween them will be played to-night

The score is as follows: Shaefer—7, 2, 4, 60, 203, 15, 5, 23, 1, 9, 25, 2, 10, 1, 26, 136, 61—6:0. Slosson—1, 18, 43, 0, 10, 24, 8, 2, 32, 1, 33, 43, 43, 3, 124, 1, 2-304,

Shaefer's average, 35 3-17; Slosson's, Highest runs -Shaefer, 203; Slosson,

Castella Must tio to the Pen-CROWN POINT, Ind , Dec. 16 .- It comes to light now that Martin Costello will have to go to the Northern now under construction by the Phoenix- is decided by the supreme court, which will take at least three months.

cases all rest until the supreme court's Corbett Begins Training. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 16 .- The Corbett party left for Mayport yesternear the spot of the disaster were day afternoon, where the champion will begin training to-day for his contest with Mitchell. Professor John Donaldson said that Corbett could be gotten into perfect condition for the contest within two weeks.

> STEVENS' STATEMENT. The Ex-Minister to Hawaii Talks About the Rinine Dispatch.

Boston, Dec. 16. - Ex-Minister Hawali John L. Stevens has made the following explanatory statement: The span which fell would have vesterday, I think it is proper to say piers, there would have been no Doubtless Mr. Blaine thought the standing instructions and usiges of the legation of which I then had charge, especially Secretary Bayard's Superintendent Eile of Manchester dispatch to Minister Merrid of July 12, 1887, were sufficient for my gu dance, thus throwing on the American span that fell near the Kentucky side and seeing that the span was about to fall. I called to the men to get off judge more accurately than the Washington officials All official dispatenes counted the men who were on received by me during my residence the span a few minutes before in Honolulu are duly numbered and on file at the Honolulu legation.

JOHN L. STEVENS." Hawaiian Correspondence. Washington, Dec. 16.—There was published yesterday a dispatch adiressed by Minister Stevens from Honolulu to Secretary Blaine, dated March. structions in the event of a revoluprinted in the official Hawalian correspondence and is not new. Dispatches of that time referred to an entirely different revolution from the one which has been effected. The revolution Mr. Stevens apprehended at that time was threatened by Robert Wilcox, a half-caste, who attempted to overthrow Kalakana in 1889, and was prevented by the white elements of

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JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 16 .- State There were many narrow escapes Auditor J. M. Seibert has drawn his improved facilities for earrying passengers between the fact of the sum of always ready to start at any time in the day and return at your pleasure. The shortest and quickest conte between Guthrie and Still water is via Oriande est of the State due January 1, 1894. The auditor also drew his warrant for \$214,000 to take up outstanding bonds of that amount called for redemption December 10, 1893. This lot of bonds. together with what has already been paid, will equal the constitutional requirement of \$250,060 of the State

debt paid this year. Made His Shortage Good. ABILENE, Kan Dec. 16 -E R Patter defaulting de uty postmaster, who was arrested last May for embez zlement and has been at Topeka in fall awaiting trial, has been released

upon shortages and fine being paid. Burned by a Gas Explosion. ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 16. - The crowd of men drilling gas wells for the Indianapolis Water and Manufacturing Gas company were seriously burned one of the a fatally, north of here at noon yesterday.

NEWS IN BRIEF. Professor Henry Warren Torrey. one of the oldest professors of liar vard university, is dead. He was st

The 200 ton schooner, Margaret A. McGregor, Captain McGregor, from Cape Haytien Island, of Hayti, for Boston, is now fifty days overdue and

is thought to be lost. The first cargo of cotton from any United States port direct to Man-chester, Eng., through the new canal, left Houston, Texas, yesterday. The French chamber of deputies

has adopted the explosives bill and the associations bill both anti-anarchist measures, by sweeping majorities. lda Hall, who was fatally shot on Wednesday by ner jealous lover, Ed-ward Han eld, at Denver, died at the

county hospital yesterday morning. A Parisian stock broker named Borrigues, who had look heavily at Monte Carlo, threw himself from a train near Ville France, a railroad station, and was killed. William Kreling, well known in

President Walters has succeeded in One hundred and forty-three An-

on board the cruiser Navarre, the captain of which vessel has sealed orders regarding his destination. The striking railroad coal miners at Findlay, Eastonville and Snowden, Pa, returned to work at sixty cents and the mining troub es on the Wheeling division of the Baltimore and Ohio railway are over.

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